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(S) Saudi Intelligence Chief Prince Muqrin bin Abdalaiz confirmed to Emboff the details regarding a Saudi-led Afghan mediation effort as reported in ref B. Emboff reiterated USG redlines as outlined in ref A. Muqrin indicated that Saudi efforts were consistent with USG policy and would not proceed until the Saudis received the commitment from Mullah Omar described in ref B. Muqrin emphasized that he preferred that discussions about the matter remain in intelligence channels. A separate GRPO message with additional details with be forthcoming.
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